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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

Claims 1, 4-21, 23-33 and 35-39 are pending in this application. Independent claim 1 incorporates allowable subject matter of claim 3 and independent claim 21 incorporates allowable subject matter of claim 34. Previous dependent claim 27, which was indicated as allowable, is presented in independent form, as new claim 39. Therefore, Applicant submits independent claims 1, 21 and 39 are allowable.

The remaining claims are dependent upon an allowed independent claim and are, therefore, allowable.

CONCLUSION

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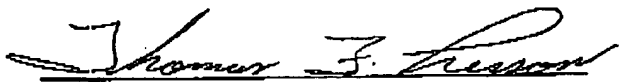
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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicant respectfully requests early passage to issue of the present application.

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